

HON. HENRY WATTERSON has a dark horse in the training for the Democratic nomination for president, "who without entangling alliances with any of the money powers," is, "yet without any antecedents which could drive away conservative Democrats" and who supported the ticket in 1896. There can be no objection to trotting out your dark steed, Marse Henry, and let us see his good points.

Communicated.

SUMNER, MO., JUNE 4, 1907.
EDITOR COURIER:—The only true memorial service held at Sumner May 30 in honor of the gallant veterans of our late civil war was held May 26 (Sunday), on which day by hands of veteran soldiers wreaths of flowers were tenderly laid upon each grave of a soldier, whether union or confederate, and a reduced copy of old glory planted on their lowly resting places. This was caused by some degenerate sons of noble sires, led on by an alien in sentiment, with American feeling, laws and institutions, to which he is certainly a stranger. So that as related above the true memorial service occurred on May 26.

In order to add something to the "gaiety of nations" we will endeavor to give a full report of their proceedings.

This alien advertised that he would have a memorial service at all the cemeteries in the forenoon of May 30; then dinner and then supper in connection with a bazaar, and of all ceremonies to be observed, the dinner, supper and bazaar were all on that memorial day.

Continuing their heartfelt sorrow and tender grief for the fallen soldiers, they had on Friday—dinner, bazar and supper, the dinner and supper from the "left overs" of Thursday. Had a "good time;" got money. Saturday, June 1, those who were so sorry that some old soldiers died, that they had to celebrate the dreadful slaughter some more, came up smiling for the third round, and it was dinner and supper and all of the "lavins" of the "overs" from Thursday, being pretty stale by this time, their memorial had to close for want of provender fit to eat.

We do not at this time know whether this hullabaloo was caused by the alien or those degenerate sons of noble sires. The alien is certainly safe because there is no extradition in force for crimes committed or conspired to be committed for political offenses. Send for a flea or bed bug. Extradition treaties do not cover such vermin as that.

F. M. LEWIS.

C. H. Brandt, one of the COURIER's good friends of near Brunswick, was an agreeable caller at this office Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Brandt sprained one of his knees while lifting corn a few days ago, and has since been having an enforced rest from his farm labors. He doesn't come to the capital very often, and as he is a good-looking, unmarried young man we naturally supposed he was here to procure an important document from Recorder J. W. Wayland that either makes or mars a man's happiness. We told him what we suspected was the object of his trip to the hub, but he most emphatically denied the soft impeachment, yet his embarrassment led us to believe that he was doing more or less angling for some one of the fair sex. May success crown his efforts in that as well as all other laudable undertakings.

Notice.

See elsewhere in this issue description of fine 157-acre farm for sale by E. B. Kellogg.

Early History of Chariton County.

The following early history of Chariton county, which was written for the Brunswick in the early 70's, is from the facile pen of the late Judge Lisbon Applegate, who made his home in in Keytesville for many years and died here in January, 1875, and who was the father of our fellow-citizens, Lewis M. and Jas. L. Applegate:

Having been solicited by many, of late, to write some sketches of the early history of Chariton county, I have at last concluded to try my hand at writing my first article for a newspaper. I have to rely entirely upon memory, the early records of this county having been destroyed by fire in 1861. It might be well at the outset to make some allusions to the early history of Missouri that some of your readers may better understand the condition of things when this county first began to receive its immigrants.

Louisiana was purchased from the French in 1803. At that time there were some old French villages on the west bank of the Mississippi: New Madrid, Cape Girardeau, St. Genevieve and Saint Louis. The Missouri territory was organized in 1804. A few emigrants from the U. S. had found their way into the territory even before that time, and enough had come to St. Louis as early as 1808 to induce Joseph Charless to establish a newspaper called the Missouri Republican. In 1812 settlements had extended as far west as Boon's Lick, but they were few in number. That year the second war with Great Britain commenced, and until 1815 the new settlements in Missouri had all they could do to defend themselves against the Indians. In 1816 a strong tide of immigrants poured into the territory of Missouri, and the public survey under Gen. Wm. Rector was pushed ahead with energy and this country was surveyed. Congress had set apart 5,000,000 acres of the public lands as bounties for the soldiers who had served in the late war. This tract of land was located in Howard county, but embraced all the territory now in Chariton county north of township 52, and part of what is now Carroll, Linn, Randolph and Macon. In 1812 the public land, not otherwise disposed of, was offered for sale. But there was not much of the land subject to entry, because large New Madrid grants were made south of the military district, and the vacant land, as it was termed, was scattered about among the New Madrid claims and the bounty land. In 1818 the first settlements were made in what is now the limits of Chariton county. The town of Chariton sprung up like magic on what is now section 6, township 51, range 17. The splendid land all around it was rapidly settled. In the Missouri bottom, west of the Grand Chariton, James Erickson, afterwards state treasurer; his son-in-law, Tarleton Turner; Archibald Hix, John M. Bell, Richard Woodson, John Doxey and many others filled up the county as far north as the Bowling Green prairie. In the Forks of Chariton were Hiram Craig, Abram Lock, N. Butler, Peterson Parks, Robert Hays, James Herford, Thomas Watson, Joseph Vance, Samuel Birch, Wm. Crawford and many others I cannot remember. In what is now Chariton township there was a large settlement. I can name Tooley, Forrest, Bentley, Maddox and many more. Nearly all of these first settlers were men of intelligence, wealth and energy. With such surroundings (I have not mentioned the dense and wealthy settlement of Howard), no wonder that the town of Chariton was regarded as the most promising place in the great west. Intelligent men who had bought lots in St. Louis gladly exchanged them for lots in Chariton. William Cabeen gave lots in St. Louis

situated between First and Fourth streets, east of the Planter's house, for lots of the same size in Chariton. Among the early merchants were Aull & Glasgow and Stephen Donohoe. Gen. Green was one of the first inhabitants. John Moore, Campbell, who built a hotel, and Col. Findley, who built a steam mill, I remember.

In 1820 Missouri was admitted into the union. I will forbear to allude to the political struggle that took place on that event. It would take too long and perhaps be out of place here. In that year (1820) Chariton county was organized, not with its present boundaries, however, as it embraced what is now Randolph county and extended north to the Iowa line, being bound on the west by Grand river. The seat of justice was located at the town of Chariton. Edward B. Cabbell was appointed clerk of the circuit and county courts and recorder. John Moore was the first sheriff. Hiram Craig, John M. Bell and Meshach Lewellyn, I think, composed the county court. I am not sure but that it was Richard Woodson instead of Bell. Judge Todd presided in the circuit court. The first representative was George Burkhart, who resided in what is now Randolph. Perhaps it was in 1822 when Randolph was cut off, the line dividing then being, as it is now, in the center of range 16. The west boundary at first extended to Grand river. Long afterwards it terminated at Locust creek as it does now.

Gen. Duff Green was one of the most distinguished men in this or any of the surrounding counties in those early times as he afterwards was in the U. S. senate when he became the editor of the U. S. Telegraph. When he first came to Chariton he had a colonel's commission in his pocket from Gov. Clark. He, however, would not accept the office unless he was elected by the people. An election was ordered. It was all Howard county then. A large number of voters attended as Green was to make a speech. The old Indian fighter, Col. Cooper, was indignant that a young man should come in and supersede him who had done so much for the country. He said that if Green dared to make a speech he would take him down and chastise him. Green heard of the threat, but mounted the stump and commenced his address. In a few minutes he saw Col. Cooper making through the crowd directly for him. Green did not notice him till he got quite near when he turned his eagle eye upon the old gentleman, laid his hand on his sword, and said: "Old man, I respect your gray hairs." Cooper stopped and Green proceeded with his speech for an hour. He was elected by a large majority. Gov. Clark was the superintendent of Indian affairs for all the northwest tribes. He appointed Green to distribute a large number of presents to several tribes who lived in this section of the state. The Indians were encamped along the Chariton river on the east margin of the Bowling Green prairie. The goods were coming up the Missouri river on one of the few steamboats then on the western waters. The steam was made to escape through a copper pipe shaped like a vast snake which moved along in the water at the bow of the boat, its mouth wide open, the steam gushing out with a loud snort. Crowds of Indians lined the bank where the boat was to land and as it got near enough for the Indians to see the snake swimming in the water drawing the vast thing behind it they became terribly frightened, and just then a cannon was fired on the boat. The consternation was general. They all fell flat on the ground and than sprung to their feet and ran off through the woods in every direction. It was the next day before they could be induced to come near the monster.

(To be continued.)

ADDITIONAL LOCAL

Miss Dixie Scott of Moberly is here visiting her grandmother, Mrs. L. N. Grinstead.

There are pretty strong indications that "the lid" is out of adjustment at Salisbury. Why don't somebody tell Gov. Folk about it?

Miss Rebecca Moore is visiting friends in Fayette and attending the commencement exercises of Howard Payne and Central college.

A. C. Phillips had an acute attack of neuralgia from which he suffered greatly for a while the first of the week, but is now about all O. K. again.

Miss Mary Winston Hammett of Salisbury, accompanied by her friend, Miss Ethel Magee of Marceline, were guests of Miss Mary Wayland Wednesday afternoon.

Some people are honest by nature while there are others that have to be made honest by law, but we do not believe that even the law can do a good job of it under such circumstances.

J. S. Rucker and family left Monday for their new home at Ft. Scott, Kas., and J. C. Rucker and family have moved into the residence which J. C. late-bought of J. S. Rucker. The Vandiver dwelling-house, vacated by J. C. Rucker, is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moore.


We are informed by the Brunswick that Davis Dye, son of Liveryman Wm. J. Dye of Brunswick, had quite an exciting time with a runaway team Wednesday. He had started to Mendon with Watt G. Herndon of that place, who had been to the Cut-Off on a fishing trip. When near the home of Wm. Bonds, north of town, the team ran away. Davis was thrown out of the buggy and dragged a considerable distance between the wheels of the buggy. His right arm was badly wrenched and his face bruised. The team ran through a wire fence into the woods, struck a tree and broke loose from the buggy. The vehicle was overturned and Mr. Herndon was caught beneath it, but was not badly hurt. The buggy was badly damaged.

The case of Cam Trimble of Glasgow against Alfonso Moore of Keytesville, administrator of the estate of his brother, the late Roberson Moore, also of Glasgow, was decided Monday of this week by the Kansas City court of appeals. The case was first tried in the Saline circuit court where it was taken on change of venue from Howard county. Trimble brought suit for \$3,090 for services rendered Robertson Moore during his lifetime, and was awarded a verdict for \$1,500. The administrator appealed with the result that the decision of the jury in the Saline circuit court was affirmed, provided the plaintiff will remit \$300 of the \$1,500 judgment. This, no doubt, Trimble will be glad to do, notwithstanding he will have to pay all the costs of the appeal. Trimble's attorneys were S. C. Major, Jr. of Fayette, Percival Birch of Glasgow and D. D. Duggins of Marshall. The defendant was represented by Attorneys H. J. West of Keytesville, J. H. Denny of Glasgow and R. B. Ruff of Marshall.

What They Would Have.

"My dear children," said the Sunday school teacher, "if you are good boys and girls you will grow up good men and women and have a crown of glory." Then he went on and told them a great many good things which were in store for the good ones, and asked: "Now, which one of you can tell me what you will have if you live right?" "I can," replied a tiny little girl. "What is it, dear?" "We shall have dear little babies."

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Notice of Administration by Surviving Partner.

Fresh Water



Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the partnership estate of the late Keytesville Lumber Co., a firm lately composed of W. W. Hancock, deceased, and A. G. Arrington, have been granted to the undersigned, as surviving partner of said partnership estate, by the Probate Court of Chariton County, Mo., bearing date of June 21, 1907. All persons having claims against said partnership estate are required to exhibit them for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, and if such claims are not presented within two years they shall be forever barred.

A. F. ARRINGTON,
Surviving Partner.

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